



Town Needs Two Large High Schools; County, Federal Help Seen Doubtful

(This is the second in a series of articles on the high school problem)

The \$64 question facing Greenbelt's high school population is, "Will we all fit in the new University High School when it's opened in 1948, if our numbers keep on increasing?"

Town Manager James Gobbel expressed the opinion some time ago that, while Greenbelt needs two big super-high schools, he doubts that they will be forthcoming for some time. He personally thinks there will be no building of additions to the schools of Greenbelt; if there is, the cost will have to be borne by the County.

The State Teachers Congress is working now to get the needs of the various county schools before the Maryland Legislature. The Legislature meets only once every two years, and all problems for schools must be settled during the three-month period it is in session. Since the Legislature meets next January, February and March, any problem which will confront the schools for the next two years will have to be met and discussed at this time.

Plans are being made by the County for a large University High School in College Park to be built by 1948, which will accommodate an enrollment of from 1200 to 1500 students to be drawn from Greenbelt, Hyattsville, Riverdale, and surrounding areas. This figure, however, is only about twice the present enrollment of the Greenbelt High School, though it must include pupils from a much larger radius.

The first enrollment at the Greenbelt High School was around 150 children, who came from Greenbelt, Berwyn, Beltsville, and other nearby places. Three years ago the figure was up to 300, and this year there are between 615 and 620. Though the number of students has made a fourfold increase, only five new classrooms were added when the wing was built on the high school. To offset this influx of students, one class has been dropped out. This year there is no sophomore class, next year there will be no junior class, and in 1948 there will be no senior class. By this time, when the Greenbelt school will have become a junior high, it is expected that the new University High will be completed.

Although Greenbelt High School's gym classes are in desperate need of space (as pointed out in last week's article) as well as the home economics and shop classes, Principal John Speicher pointed out this week that no student is being hampered by the lack of facilities. The classrooms are full, but not over-crowded, so that each teacher is able to handle the class and give the individual attention needed. "We are indeed fortunate," Mr. Speicher commented, "to have a considerate and cooperative group of students." Having the County and the Federal Government both responsible for the school, he said, is like having two women trying to take care of the same house—a situation like that can get very involved.

At present, the Federal Government owns all the school buildings; the center school and the original half of the high school were built by FPFA, and the North End school and the high school addition were constructed under FWA. In addition, the entire high school and the North End school are under the authority of the county school board.

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Postpone Meeting

The Citizens' Association has indefinitely postponed the meeting originally announced for December 16. Special committees are concentrating their efforts on a problem of interest to every family in Greenbelt, according to Bruce Bowman, secretary.

The date of the next meeting will be announced as soon as a date has been set.

News Deadline During Holidays

Because of the Christmas and New Year Holidays, ALL news stories for the December 27 issue must be in the Cooperator office, 8 Parkway by Monday night, December 23, at 10 p.m. ALL news stories for the January 3 issue must be in the Cooperator office by Monday night, December 30, at 10 p.m. Stories for these issues submitted after the designated times will run the risk of not being printed.

Turkey Pays Off With GCS Shares

Greenbelt Consumer Services might do well to invest in a carload of turkeys. If each one paid off as well as the door prize turkey won by the Paul Borskys at the December 2 membership meeting, the share drive would be over.

Along with the turkey, the Borskys, who live at 44-R Ridge Road, took home the proper cooperative spirit, combined the two in a turkey dinner for themselves and some of their neighbors, and sold \$220 worth of GCS shares.

Meanwhile, Merton Trast, GCS public relations director, reports that \$15,000 of the \$75,000 goal has been reached, with the end of the drive scheduled for December 16. "The workers seem to be just getting started," reported Trast, who said that the management has no plans to officially continue the drive. However, it was recalled that in the last share drive most of the purchases were made after the drive had officially ended. Mr. Trast also reported that most of the purchases to date have been large ones, and that apparently many purchasers of small amounts of stock have not yet been contacted.

GCS has filed share information with SEC, preparatory to mailing it out. Announcements of the availability of GCS stock will be sent to a mailing list of 2500, which includes the cooperative families of this area. Persons who have been suggested as prospects to share drive workers will also be contacted.

Looks as though we need a lot more turkeys, Doc!

Keep Up The Good Work Says Cormack

FPFA manager Charles M. Cormack wishes to express through the Cooperator to the people of Greenbelt his appreciation of their cooperation in the recent emergency created by the coal strike. In a statement, Monday, he added that he feels that Greenbelters made a real effort to conserve coal through using heat and electricity conservatively.

While the strike is over, Mr. Cormack explained further, it will be some time before the normal coal supplies will arrive in Greenbelt. Although restrictions are "off," Mr. Cormack hopes that tenants will continue to exercise care in the use of heat and power. Tenants should also remain aware of the effects of wastefulness on the costs of utility operations.

The delivery of the oil burners to be used in converting defense homes from coal to oil heat, has been somewhat delayed, Mr. Cormack continued. However, most of the smaller plants will be converted by the first of the year.

The Rooster Crows

Those who ordered copies of "The Rooster Crows" from the P-TA Book Fair are asked to pick them up at 4-D Plateau Place. Mrs. Arthur Wetter announces that she has four orders of books that must be picked up and paid for by tomorrow evening, as the Book Fair Committee is anxious to clear up its accounts.

Council Adopts Revised Budget; Gobbel To Direct Public Works

By CAROLYN MILLER

The town council has adopted its budget for 1947, and if the general field office of FPFA does not dispute the amount requested as payment in lieu of taxes, the town functions will continue much as they have this past year.

The budget passed at Monday's meeting is a conservative one. Nothing new has been added and many expenses have been cut. The council feels this is just as well, for if FPFA increases Greenbelt rentals, there can be no responsibility for the action attached to the town.

A comparison of the 1947 budget with 1946 shows a decrease for social service work due to FPFA's ruling that Mrs. Mary Jane Kinzer could not continue on the town staff in addition to her full-time position with FPFA. The town manager's office will take over work in this field, and in addition the position of public works director has been assumed by Town Manager James T. Gobbel.

FPFA will be asked for \$126,805, including the already approved figure of \$1000 for the youth center. Last year the budget was \$128,146, which included \$16,928 for a road roller and garbage truck.

Salary Increase

Town Manager Gobbel informed the council that the salary increase of 14% to match the raise given federal workers this year, costs the town \$22,000 annually, all but \$6,000 of which will be absorbed by other economies. Two other factors account for the jump from \$111,218 (disregarding the truck and roller) to \$126,805 for "payments in lieu," a more realistic estimate of swimming pool income and a smaller surplus to be carried from 1946.

Town Ordinance on Dogs

Responsibility for the menace of dogs in Greenbelt was laid at FPFA's door in unequivocal terms by Mayor George F. Bauer. "The government has failed to enforce its lease provisions," he said. The council directed Mr. Gobbel to meet with Community Manager Charles M. Cormack to work out a joint solution of the problem. A letter from Public Health Officer William Eisner recommending a town ordinance prohibiting dogs in Greenbelt "with a stiff fine for offenders" will be considered by the council at its next meeting following a report from the Gobbel-Cormack conference.

Donald Duck Sign

A Donald Duck stop-and-go sign for use by school boy patrols was also approved by the council. It was designed and executed as a volunteer service by local resident John C. Brunjes, in cooperation with Police Chief George Panagoulis.

Other action taken included approval of a town Christmas tree to be lighted Christmas Eve, a protest to the Public Service Commission for the Transit Company's refusal to extend shuttle bus service to the turnpike, and announcement of a forthcoming ordinance regulating carnivals within town limits.

Elect Mrs. Parker For Secretary

At the last regular Friday meeting of the Greenbelt Theater Group, Janet Parker was elected secretary, and Myra Hertz was appointed chairman of the party committee.

The cast for "Watch On The Rhine" is busily engaged in rehearsals and, according to Nat Schein, director, the community can set its timepiece for the production of "Watch On The Rhine" on or about January 15.

Sherry Locklear and Charles Hutsler appeared in Sir Arthur Conan Doyle's one-act play, "Confession," presented Thursday, December 17 for the Greenbelt Woman's Club.

P-TA Council Asks Juvenile Court

A request for the establishment of a separate juvenile court in Prince Georges County was voted by an overwhelming majority of the County Council of Parent-Teacher Associations at its meeting December 5 at the North End School. The decision was reached after discussion led by the Council's legislative chairman, Hyattsville attorney, Jerrold V. Powers. Three possibilities presented by Mr. Powers were: continuance of the present set-up which makes no provision for handling youngsters; a request that the county be brought under the state system adopted in 1945 by the General Assembly; a request for a separate court for juveniles. A majority of the delegates favored the third plan.

Progress in the drawing up of a new salary scale for teachers, supervisors, and other members of the county staff, was reported on by Wesley Darling, chairman of the teachers' salary committee. When the committee has finished its plan, it will be presented by the County Council to the County Board of Commissioners.

Mrs. Wells Harrington of Greenbelt is the president of the Council, which represents 32 local Parent-Teacher Associations with a combined membership of more than 5,000 parents and teachers of Prince Georges County. Each association can send three voting delegates to the Council's meetings.

AVC Holiday Party Set For Dec. 14

There will be a holiday party for American Veterans Committee and Auxiliary members on Saturday night, December 14, at the home of the Ben Goodmans, 21-N Ridge Road. Any member who has not as yet made his reservation may do so by phoning 4872.

The next meeting of the AVC Auxiliary will be held on Thursday, December 19, at the home of Anita Hirschtitt, 8-K Plateau Place, at 8:30 p.m.

What Goes On

Friday, December 13—

Greenbelt Theater Group meets in arts and crafts room of center school at 8:30 p.m.

Saturday, December 14—

Square dancing, 9 p.m., social room, center school. AVC Christmas party, at 21-N Ridge Road.

Monday, December 16—

Jewish Community Center meets at 8 p.m., in room 201, center school.

Tuesday, December 17—

Annual alumni-varsity basketball game in center school auditorium.

Wednesday, December 18—

Hans Hoiberg speaks at Co-op Adult Education class, center school, 8 p.m. AVC meets at 8:30 p.m., in Room 222, center school.

Thursday, December 19—

AVC Auxiliary meets at 8-K Plateau Place, at 8:30 p.m. Cooperative Nursery School holds party at 13-Z-3 Hillside Road.

Friday, December 20—

Greenbelt Theater Group meets in arts and crafts room of center school at 8:30 p.m.

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The Feast Of Lights

December 18 marks the beginning of Chanukah, the "Feast of Lights" observed by the Jewish people for eight days every year since 165 B. C. It is a joyous holiday since it celebrates the victory of the Judeans, led by Judas Maccabeus, over their oppressors and the purifying of the Temple in Jerusalem after its profanation by the infidel Greeks. The outstanding observance of the festival is the kindling of lights, one on the eve of the first day, two on the eve of the second, etc.

This year the decimated remains of world Jewry, still caught in an ancient vise of oppression, will observe the holiday with a renewed sense of dedication. And all fighters for freedom, both Jew and Gentile alike, will rejoice as the candles again are lit in Europe and all over the world.

Don't Buy High

The new battle-cry of the beleaguered housewife is "Don't Buy High!" Sponsored by the Committee For Consumer Protection, the drive is on to persuade Mrs. America to keep her pocketbook shut tight and decline to purchase articles, other than absolute necessities, put up for sale at inflationary prices.

It's only common sense to realize that as long as the shopper is willing to buy bacon at 79c a pound and shirts at anywhere from \$10 to \$15 apiece, the packer and manufacturer will be happy to sell them to her at those prices. With even an enfeebled OPA gone, our only protection against spiraling prices is to keep a firm clutch on our purses, while giving a definite "No" to the "bargains" presented for our purchase.

To The Editor

Pro-Dog Sentiment

To the Editor:

I am a mother, and the safety of my own child and that of other children means more to me than anything else. We can't keep our children away from all danger, and in fact many potential dangers are very useful. We teach little girls to cut out paper dolls, but caution them about the points of the scissors. We allow our boys to whittle with knives, but teach them to whittle away from themselves. We cook with gas, but don't allow our children to play with the burners. We have matches around the house, but don't allow our children to play with fire. I was also taught not to startle a horse from behind, or to pet strange dogs. A dog menaced by a stick, rolled-up newspaper, or even just a raised hand is incapable of analysing human motive as fear or friendliness, and reacts instinctively for his own protection. Our children should be taught this danger and guarded from it; but to deny them pets, and instill in them a fear of animals, is to deny them one of the greatest pleasures of childhood and one of the best ways of learning kindness and a knowledge of nature.

I say this as once owner of Boots, of highly-controversial repute, feared by some postmen, admired by others; thoroughly respected by milkmen; a terror to hysterical, non-dog-owning mothers; but who half the children of Greenbelt would have gone to bat for, with their last ounce of devotion, and who would have done the same for them.

ELIZABETH LOVE,
Parkbelt.

Another Menace

To the Editor:

Last week there appeared in your editorial a warning against the menace of rabid animals and proposals for protective measures. Because of a greater menace to the safety of children, I am submitting this problem:

This past week, while slumbering peacefully in her carriage outside my house, my five-month-old baby was viciously attacked by a child living in this court. This brat of a child tore off the blankets; pulled off the baby's hat; and scratched her from ear to ear, which resulted in profuse bleeding; and all the mother could say was, "You must not do that, honey." Had I not arrived in time to stop the assault, my baby might very well have been killed.

This vicious child has repeatedly made attempts to throw the carriage over while the baby was in it, and scratched my other youngster near the eye, which almost attained serious results, and the parents make no attempt to discipline the child.

Why is a child like that allowed to be out of the sight of the parents? They know he has all those vicious tendencies.

My dear editor, what can the parents of this court do against this menace?

MRS. DAVID WHITE,
24-R Ridge Road.

Legion Boys Won

The December 1 football game, erroneously reported as a victory for the Northenders, was actually won by the American Legion teams, 24-14.

We're sorry the honors were misplaced, and glad to congratulate the Legion boys.

OUR NEIGHBORS

By DOROTHY MCGEE

Phone 3667

Sometime next week, Mrs. Lionel Cook, 13-S Ridge Road expects to be on her way with her five children to Austin, Texas, to join her husband, Chief Quartermaster Cook, who recently "reconverted" from Lieutenant, is working with the ROTC at the University of Texas. This sudden move to Texas came as a surprise to Mrs. Cook who has been preparing for weeks to fly to San Juan, Puerto Rico, even to the extent of mailing ahead the children's Christmas gifts and was quite content to have a banana plant serve as a Christmas tree. Mrs. Cook was enjoying herself at a farewell party given in her honor by Mrs. Edward Kaighn on December 5 when word came from the flight officer notifying them of the change of plans. The family has been "living in a suitcase" ever since, eating and sleeping as best they can with the help of friendly neighbors who have been more than kind in lending household utensils, including a washing machine. So, after a variety of trials and tribulations, Mrs. Cook hopes to spend Christmas in the faculty house her husband has made ready for her arrival. Monday will mark the anniversary of the Cook's eight years of residence in Greenbelt. We're sorry to have them leave, and wish them a pleasant journey and no more troubles.

Mrs. Mary Jane Kinzer recently returned from a two-week visit with her sister in Roanoke, Va., and brought back her three-year-old niece, Sue Scott, for a ten-day visit. Little Sue, away from home for the first time, liked Greenbelt so well she didn't want to go home until it was time to welcome a visit from Santa Claus.

Mr. and Mrs. Tony Madden, 17-E Ridge Road, enjoyed a ten-day visit from Mr. Madden's sister, Mrs. Timothy Barry, who has returned to her home in Cleveland.

Mrs. John Scordellis returned last Sunday to her home at 2-E Eastway after spending a month with her daughter, Mrs. Betty Putze in Pittsburgh. Mrs. Scordellis saw Betty's new daughter christened Patricia Ann before she left. The baby was born Oct. 31.

Mrs. Carl Day is back home again at 3-D Crescent Road after a three-week stay in New Orleans with her daughter, Mrs. Jean Soignier. Mrs. Day was impressed with the beauty and antiquity of the buildings that are the city's heritage from the early French and Spanish inhabitants.

The son born to Mr. and Mrs. Frank Galvin, 6-L Hillside Road in Georgetown Hospital on December 9 has been named James Francis.

This might well be an open letter to the Washington Post. In the feature section of the Post last Sunday appeared a picture of nine-year-old Tony Baker whom the Washington Senators have taken under their wing. Tony will very likely one day be a player in one of the Major Leagues and Greenbelters will be proud to say "I knew him when . . ." So, please, editor of the Post, next time do give Tony Baker's correct home base as Greenbelt and not Washington, D. C.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Kosisky announce the birth of a son, Darryl Joseph in Leland Memorial Hospital on December 8. The baby weighed 8½ lbs. Mrs. Audrey Kosisky is one of Greenbelt's British war brides. The Kosiskys, who have been making their home with Joseph's mother, recently moved into their own apartment at 4-M Laurel Hill Road.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Miller of 6-C Crescent Road and their daughter, Janet, have left for New York City to spend Christmas with little Janet's grandparents.

Scout Troop 85, with Leader Mrs. Ruth Benjamin and Assistant Leader Mrs. Mary Ehrhardt, went into Washington on Saturday, December 7 to hear the WTOP program, "Meet the Missus." The master of ceremonies in the quiz show asked the scout leader to pick one scout to speak through the "mike." Margot Ann Kennedy was chosen and answered all the questions correctly, thereby winning several prizes, among them, a sweater, a charm bracelet and a pen and pencil set.

Over the weekend, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Levine, 16-F Crescent Road entertained some friends from New York, Mr. and Mrs.

Community Church

Saturday, December 14—
10:00 a.m.—Junior choir practice at Joanne Taylor's.

Sunday, December 15—
9:30 a.m.—Church School, Thos. Berry, Superintendent.
10:00 a.m.—Men's Class, Rolfe Sauls, President.

10:50 a.m.—Church Nursery, sponsored by the Church Guilds.
11:00 a.m.—Church Worship. Welcome to all.
Choral music directed by Thomas Ritchie with Mrs. Daniel Neff at the organ. Sermon: "Flight In Winter." Also, reception of new members.

1:45 p.m.—Hi-School Youth Fellowship meet at drugstore for tour of the Catholic Monastery.

7:30 p.m.—College Age Club meets at Dolores and George Davidson, 58-J Crescent Road.

7:30 p. m.—Young Couple's Club goes bowling.

Monday, December 16—
8:15 p.m.—Church Women's Discussion Group meets with Mrs. John Collins, 2 Forestway, Parkbelt.

Tuesday, December 16—
8:15 p.m.—Evening Guild Christmas Party at Mrs. Charles Naegele's, 3 Woodland Way. Mrs. Dameron and Mrs. Lushine, assisting hostesses. Members are reminded to bring fifty cents for the Christmas CARE package, also an inexpensive gift.

Wednesday, December 18—
7:30 p.m.—Senior Choir Rehearsal, Center School.

Thursday, December 19—
8:00 p.m.—Sunday School Board Meeting at the Harold Hufendick's, 9-P Southway.

Joseph Gorel and their two children.

Mr. and Mrs. William Long of 12-M Ridge Road are happy to announce the birth of a second daughter, Kathleen, born in Leland Memorial Hospital on December 5.

Mrs. June Wilbur, the editor of our very helpful column, The Homemaker, has accepted a position as assistant professor of textiles at the University of Maryland, and will begin teaching the first of February.

Mrs. Eve Shine of New York City was the house guest of her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Shine, 14-Q Ridge Road. Mrs. Shine enjoyed her week's visit with her only grandchild and took sixteen-month Caroline on her first journey to the zoo.

Private LeGrande Benefiel has been spending a ten-day furlough with his folks at 60-B Crescent Road. He returns today to Camp Lee, Va.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Blackett, 22-B Crescent Road, are the happy parents of their first child, a son, Robert born at Leland Memorial Hospital on December 7.

Mrs. Ida Ratzkin of New York left town last Saturday after a week's visit with her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Ratzkin, 10-V Southway.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Barnes of 40-F Crescent Road, are the joyful parents of a 6-lb., 12-oz., baby girl born at Leland Memorial Hospital, December 3. They have named her Lynne Joyce. Mrs. Barnes was formerly Miss Doris Bates.

Commander W. R. Neblett, formerly of 1-C Southway, now of Jacksonville, Florida, spent the last week end with Mayor and Mrs. George F. Bauer, 1-J Gardenway. He brought pictures of his six months' old son, Frank Sterling. Needless to say, the Neblett family are very proud of the latest arrival.

Word was received by Mayor and Mrs. George F. Bauer, of the birth of a son on December 6, to former Mayor Henry Maurer and Mrs. Maurer now of Ardsley, New York. The Bauer family spent the Thanksgiving holidays with the Maurer family in Ardsley and had a very enjoyable time.

The Fly-Ups of Girl Scout Leader Mrs. Vera Weber have now officially become Troop 16.

The new Brownies of Leader Mrs. J. W. Smith are now officially Troop 116.

Mr. and Mrs. Allan M. Lawrence, 6-H Crescent Road, welcomed a second son and third child into the family Wednesday morning. The baby is named Gordon Daniel.

"The average German does not want to be hung," says General Hap Arnold in discussing the Goering suicide. Why did we ever get involved with these baffling people?—(CNS).

Catholic Church

Sunday Masses: 7:30 a. m. and 9:30 a. m. in the Greenbelt theater; 7 a. m., 9 a. m., 10:30 a. m., and 11:45 at Berwyn.

Confessions: Saturday from 7:30 to 9 p. m. at 10-B Parkway in Greenbelt. Saturday at Berwyn from 3 to 5 p. m. and from 7:30 to 9 p. m.

Novena Devotions: at Berwyn every Wednesday evening at 8 p. m.

Choir practice will be held every Sunday morning immediately following the 9:30 mass.

Lutheran Church

"The Bible, Not Bombs For Tomorrow's World," will be Rev. Edwin E. Pieplow's sermon topic for Sunday, Dec. 15. The worship service begins at 12:30 p.m. in the home economics room of the center school.

The Sunday School will rehearse the Christmas program in one group in the home economics room before going to their separate classes.

On Wednesday at 8:00 p.m., Rev. Pieplow will conduct his regular weekly lecture on the fundamental doctrines of the Bible. Everyone is cordially invited.

Choir rehearsal on Friday, Dec. 13 will be at the home of Mrs. Esther Holien, 2-F Plateau Place.

Mowatt Memorial Methodist Church

Woodland Way and Forestway Road; Rev. C. J. Craig, Pastor, Union 1658.

Sunday School Opening
Assembly .. 9:45 a.m.

Classes .. 10:00 a.m.

Sunday School Closing
Assembly .. 10:40 a.m.

Morning Worship
Service .. 11:00 a.m.

Evening Worship
Service .. 8:00 p.m.

Thursday,
Prayer Service .. 8:00 p.m.

The church has now been formally installed as one of the units belonging to the Washington East District, Baltimore Conference, Methodist Church. Dr. Horace Cromer officiated at the installation services last Sunday evening.

The Church School is planning a Christmas Program to be given at the church one evening during Christmas week. The program schedule will appear in next week's Cooperator. The general public is cordially invited.

Hebrew Congregation

Services will be held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Ringel, 13-J Hillside Road. All residents are welcome.

Hebrew Parents Observe Chanukah

The Parents of the Hebrew Sunday School are sponsoring an adult Chanukah Party for Saturday, December 21, in the home economics room of the center school at 8:30 p.m. A full program of games, entertainment, skits, dancing, singing, and refreshments has been arranged.

Tickets are \$1.25 per couple and 75c for a single admission. For advance tickets call 4528 or 4866.

Church Bazaar Nets Over \$400

Mrs. D. J. Neff, president of the Community Church Guild, reports that the bazaar held by the group in the center school last Thursday realized more than \$400. The bazaar, held annually by the Guild to raise money for the Church building fund, featured tables displaying articles hand-made by the ladies of the Church and their friends. The fish pond was patronized by both youngsters and adults.

In book booth, one of the most popular selections was a illustrated collection of hymns, with stories written by Elizabeth Hubbard Bonnell, mother of Mrs. Eric T. Braund. Also of interest were several books for children written by Miss Maribelle Cormack, sister of Charles M. Cormack, Federal manager for Greenbelt. Each book had been autographed by Miss Cormack.

Both the afternoon and night guilds cooperated on the bazaar, as well as classes in the Sunday School. Chairman Mrs. Howard A. Slaymaker, would like to thank everybody for their contributions and cheerful cooperation.

Jewish Women Elect Officers

More than thirty women attended a meeting of the National Council of Jewish Women on Thursday, December 5, at the center school. Mrs. Adelaide Weidberg was elected chairman, and a number of new members joined the organization. Officers elected, in addition to Mrs. Weidberg, were Mrs. Myra Hertz, vice-president; Mrs. Anita Hirschtitt, recording secretary; Mrs. Frances Rosenthal, corresponding secretary; and Mrs. Shirley Levine, treasurer.

The membership adopted by-laws and set up committees on social legislation, international relations and peace, contemporary Jewish affairs, and community cooperation.

Future meetings of the National Council will be held the first Thursday of each month.

Co-op Conference Plans Year's Work

The annual fall conference of cooperatives in the Potomac area held at American University last Sunday, planned the following program for expansion and consolidation in the coming year: Cooperation with the Potomac Broadcasting Co-op, permission from the Farm Bureau Insurance Company to share commissions on sales in Maryland and Virginia, admission of the Group Health Association whenever it applies for membership, and a recommendation that the Federation assist its member societies in developing a program for stimulating savings by individuals, possibly by using business centers as Credit Union Collection offices.

Club Holds Annual Christmas Party

The Woman's Club held their annual Christmas Party Thursday night in the high school auditorium, which was decked with Christmas greens of trailing pine and holly and the traditional Christmas tree. A small Christmas tree on the tea table was ornamented with little flags representing the United Nations, while the trays held Santa Claus favors.

Mrs. E. Paul Hawk served as master of ceremonies for the Christmas entertainment which featured a short play, "The Confession," by Sir Arthur Conan Doyle, presented by Sherry Locklear and Charles Hutsler of the Greenbelt Theater Group. Christmas carols were sung by all the club members, accompanied by Mrs. D. J. Neff, and a Christmas tap dance was performed by Barbara Dennard. Two Christmas solos were sung by Janet Neff Walker.

Santa Claus distributed gifts to everyone present and poured tea for the refreshments which followed the entertainment.

To meet the demand for methods of preparing the cheaper cuts of meat Consumers Aid, Rachel Garner, will have displays and recipes in the food store in the near future for the benefit of Greenbelt housewives.

PO Hours Longer

Greenbelt Postmaster Geo. W. Bryant announced Tuesday that the Greenbelt Post Office would be open until 7 p.m. from December 16 to Christmas Day, in order to take care of the anticipated Christmas rush. The Post Office will also be open on December 15 and 22, from 12 noon to 6 p.m.

Would You Like A 9 To 3:30 Job?

By ANNE HULL

Take notice, government employees, harassed men-of-affairs about Greenbelt! How would you like a 9 to 3:30 job in a sunny, sparkling climate, with only a two-minute commutation trip, plenty of leisure in which to read, loaf, and pursue hobbies, no noisy neighbors, and best of all, a telephone that rings only once in a coon's age?

This is the lot of Abe Glauber, who left Greenbelt recently to teach at an Indian day school near Correo, New Mexico. The schoolhouse is "next door" and the work with the Navajo children always interesting and full of challenge, as the youngsters do not even understand English.

The Glaubermans shop in Albuquerque once a week—"a modern city—with plenty of department, chain stores, etc. "This is a treat, says Anne, "when I remember how seldom I went into Washington. We have not lacked anything in the way of food, and judging from the Washington Post, we have escaped a meat famine. Since I arrived here we have had plenty of beef in every form, at reasonable prices."

Ann took a ribbing upon her announcement that she was taking her son's sled along to the sunny Southwest. She had the last laugh, however, when she awoke on the morning of November 3 to find a foot of snow on the ground and a blizzard still howling. George could hardly wait to get out with the sled.

A native of the region told the Glaubermans later that while flurries were not unusual, this snowfall beat anything he had ever seen. The family spent a busy day shoveling paths, getting in a supply of drinking water from the outside pump (inside tap water used only for washing), hauling in supplies of wood and coal to keep the home fire high.

Ann writes: "We would welcome an occasional social caller . . . If someone were to knock on the door or we would see a light, it would be a shock!" The Glaubermans are enjoying their new experience, but one gathers that letters addressed to the Canoncito Day School, Correo, New Mexico, would be warmly appreciated.

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Co-op Camp Group Organizes Dec. 19

Cooperators interested in arranging for co-op vacation camp facilities in this area will meet on Thursday, December 19, at the YWCA, at 17th and K Streets, N. W., according to James McCorkle, chairman of a committee organizing a camp association. The first function of the new co-op will be to arrange for a vacation camp during coming summer, after which it will try to find a site for a permanent camp which can be used for vacations, conferences, employee institutes and other purposes.

Applications for membership are now being received by the committee. The application fee is \$5.00. Only applicants will be able to vote on the proposed by-laws and charter, which will determine the nature of the Association.

High School Bus Promised Monday

Through the efforts of the Greenbelt High School Parent-Teachers' Association and interested town officials, a new 55-passenger bus has been purchased by the Prince Georges County Board of Education, and will begin transporting students this Monday, if a driver can be obtained. There will be no charge.

A definite bus route will be established, so that it will not be necessary for any students to go to the center in the morning. High School Principal Speicher announces.

Book-Writing B's Are Still At It

Dr. Sam Berenberg, former pediatrician on the local Health Association staff, is preparing for publication, "New York City's Baby Book," to be distributed by the Health Department. Dr. Berenberg is chief of the Child Care Section.

Mrs. Berenberg's recent book, "The Hunting of the Silver Fleece," written under her maiden name, Fredericka Martin, has had enthusiastic reviews both by radio commentators and columnists.

According to Alice Hughes, who authors the widely-read feature, "Woman's New York," "Until Fredericka Martin, no one had ever before written on this subject except in reports to the Department of the Interior. No one that is, except James Fenimore Cooper of Cooperstown, N. Y., which, by double coincidence, also happens to be Fredericka Martin's hometown."

"From New York State to Spain, where she was a nurse in the Lincoln Brigade Hospital, and thence to the Pribilofs is where Freddy's fate took her, following her doctor husband. There on our territorial islands she learned the Aleut language and published the first and only Aleut-English dictionary. The story of Henry Elliot and his one-man fight to save the fur seal inspired her. She is making the same sort of fight to save the Aleut people, an old Russian tribe now inhabiting the Pribilofs. Our government classifies them under Fish and Wild Life, but Freddy insists if they were under the Department of Indian Affairs they would be regarded as people instead of as fauna."

"While on the tiny island her young daughter was born. Now three, the family has come to New York to live. With them came a young Aleut girl whom Freddy entered in Hamilton College, and whose tuition and expenses for the next four years will be footed by Freddy and her husband. It is doubtful if most of us will ever meet a fur seal socially, but if we do, 'The Hunting of the Silver Fleece' will furnish us a depth of understanding of their life habits and our government monopoly of their fur. This is a book well worth reading."

Although not mentioned by Alice Hughes Mrs. Berenberg's professional experience included being first Superintendent of the Greenbelt Municipal Hospital.

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Annual Basketball Contest Tuesday

The annual Alumni-Varsity basketball game will be played Tuesday, December 17 in the center school auditorium. All alumni are cordially invited to attend and cheer for their former classmates.

Jewish Center Has Meeting Monday

The Jewish Community Center of Greenbelt will hold a special meeting on Monday evening, December 16, at 8 p.m. promptly, in room 201 of the center school. Action will be taken on adoption of the constitution and by-laws, and all members are urged to attend.

The first open membership meeting held Sunday afternoon, December 8, in the center auditorium was attended by over 100 residents. Speakers were George Frank, member of the board of trustees, and Louis E. Spiegler, director of the Washington United Jewish Appeal. Charles Mandell was master of ceremonies. The program was concluded by entertainment and refreshments.

President Samuel Bogan read a letter to the group from Rabbi Morris A. Sandhaus, spiritual leader of the organization, expressing his regret at being unable to attend.

Local AVC Group Elects Officers

At a meeting held last Wednesday, Samuel J. Ringel was elected chairman of the Greenbelt Chapter, American Veterans Committee, to fill the existing vacancy. Other officers of the chapter are Harold Fischer, vice chairman; Jerome Lachman, secretary; and Morris Solomon, treasurer. Milton Haut was appointed chairman of publicity for the Chapter.

The next meeting will be held at 8:30 p.m., December 18, in Room 222, at the center school. The chief item on the agenda will be a report on the meetings of the Maryland State Chapter on December 8 and 15, which deal with the plans for the state-wide AVC Convention. Ringel was appointed chairman of publicity for the coming state convention at the December 8 meeting of chapter delegates held in Baltimore.

Danish Lecturer

Hans Hoiberg, FSA employee and board members of the Potomac Cooperative Federation will speak and show films about Danish co-ops at the next meeting of the Co-op Adult Education class Wednesday, December 18. Mr. Hoiberg made a trip to Denmark in August and September. Since this is a special lecture, outsiders as well as class members are invited.

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High School Notes

By MARGARET BROWN

The first installation of the National Junior Honor Society was conducted at the Junior High assembly of December 4, by the senior chapter of the NHS.

The new members include: Louise Charles, Marlene Goldstein, Leonard Deibert, Elaine Scott, Mike Littleton, Rosemary Hennessey, Barbara David, Billy Collier, Billy Busbey, Ginger Miles, Lillie Thomas, Jack Maffey, Jean Porter, Janice McKay, Leonard Becraft, Barbara Green, Emma Busbey, Douglas Ruth and William Honnum.

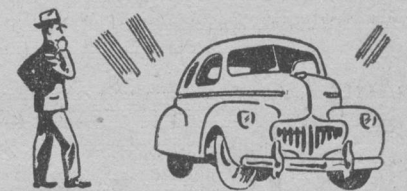
Induction for more ninth graders and for juniors and seniors will be held in the early spring.

The annual Glee Club Christmas program will be presented on three separate occasions this year; the P-TA, December 10; Senior High Assembly, December 11; and Junior High Assembly, December 18. Selections include group singing by the Glee Club, several numbers by the Junior and Senior Octets, and a solo by Robert Watson. An orchestra will play for the group singing of Handel's "Hallelujah Chorus," while Harry Powers will be the accompanist for the other selections.

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The cooperatives in Denmark have made a great contribution to the life of that truly democratic country. We can learn much from their experiences.

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P-TA Sets Sights For Bigger High

A committee headed by Dr. C. A. Logan of Beltsville, was appointed at last Tuesday's meeting of the High School P-TA to determine how the high school can obtain needed additions and improvements. Serving on the committee are Wesley Darling, Robert Dove and James Smith, of Greenbelt, J. W. McKay, Berwyn, and Arthur Winkler, Branchville. Dr. Logan was empowered to add to the committee as he wishes and as needs arise.

Mrs. L. P. Ditman, of Berwyn, who represented the organization at the recent State convention, reported that one of its chief objectives for the coming year is the raising of the teachers' salary level. The association also went on record as favoring State aid for construction of school buildings and the raising of age of attendance from 14 to 16. Much remains to be done in the State of Maryland to improve the situation of public schools, Mrs. Ditman stated, and all parents must be ready to help obtain needed improvements.

P-TA President, Leon Benefiel, drew attention to the fact that out of a membership of 298 in the association, only 75 are men, adding that he wished to have more men as well as more women join the organization.

Before an auditorium crowded to capacity the combined choruses of the Junior and Senior High Schools, over 100 voices strong, presented a Christmas concert. Under the direction of Miss Ellen J. Beckman, music teacher, many of the old familiar Christmas carols were sung, concluding with the famous "Hallelujah Chorus." They were accompanied by Harry Powers, senior student, at the piano, and in some of the numbers by a group of string instruments.

Following the concert the students were served refreshments by the P-TA entertainment committee, headed by Mrs. Charles Wain-scott.

Co-op Advance Warehouse Plans

Twenty-six officials of the Rochdale Co-ops and GCS attended a special joint meeting December 6 to consider plans for opening a branch warehouse of Eastern Co-operative Wholesale in the Washington area. Plans call for the handling of frozen foods as soon as equipment can be secured, in addition to groceries and produce.

Leslie Woodcock, executive secretary of ECW, T. G. Castner, ECW operations manager, ECW president William Blaisdell and Fieldman Waldemar Niemela suggested establishing a small warehouse to handle an estimated annual volume of one million dollars in the Washington area. Because of the materials shortage it was suggested that a Quonset type building might be used. A site has not yet been chosen.

An additional investment from member co-ops would be required to finance the warehouse, but it was pointed out that the maintaining of a large inventory has already necessitated the outlay of considerable money by the individual stores. A local warehouse would also enable member stores to do more joint buying than they do at the present time. Rochdale and GCS now save on the purchase and delivery of produce through joint ownership of a truck.

General Manager Ashelman pointed out that a local warehouse would enable consumer co-ops to purchase from nearby farm co-ops, furnishing the latter with wholesale service in return.

Repeat Warning On Brush Fires

The Greenbelt Police report another series of small brush fires this past week in addition to those which occurred the previous week. On Wednesday, December 4, there was a small fire behind the 10 Court on Plateau, and on Monday, December 9, there were two small fires behind the 18 Court on Ridge. If any child is caught starting a fire the parents will be prosecuted.

HIGH

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as is the center school building, from 8 a.m. until 5 p.m., after which time it is used as a community building. The Federal Government supplies lighting, heat and janitor service to all the buildings.

When the high school building committee approached the Government with plans for enlarging the high school, they were met with sympathy, but were told that the Federal authorities could do nothing for them since no funds were available. It was suggested that the County should take care of any necessary additional building. The County, however, is prohibited under State law from building on property to which the County does not have title, and since the Greenbelt High School is on Federal land leased to the County, any building by the County on that site is impossible.

While the need for a larger building is of prime importance, Principal Speicher is greatly concerned over the noticeable decrease in the number of students preparing to become teachers. As he pointed out, 350,000 potential teachers were lost during the war years because of the lure of better salaries in other fields of endeavor. During these years, teachers' salaries were increased only 20%; in the same length of time, salaries in certain, low skilled industries were increased 107%! One teacher at the high school, who has a master's degree and 17 years' teaching experience, receives only \$2800 a year. While the State of Maryland ranks eleventh in its ability to support its schools, in actual support of schools it is thirty-seventh on the list. These and other statistics may be had by consulting the U. S. Chamber of Commerce, the National Education Association, or by reading "Education and Investment In People," by Paul Good.

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Membership Meeting
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The Homemaker

By JUNE WILBUR

Just a word of caution about the nifty-looking little cowboy or cowgirl suit Johnnie or Sally might get for Christmas: If it's the kind which is made of rayon with a brushed nap finish, don't let the child wear it. Seriously! This kind of fabric, along with a few others, has been shown to be very inflammable, and a little spark from a cigarette or match can start a painful conflagration. If the garment is labeled "treated, flame-resistant" there need be no concern. However, although there are flame-resisting compounds on the market, these are not in general use as yet.

The State of California is enacting legislation preventing any untreated, highly inflammable materials from being used in the state. The chief concern is for apparel fabrics. It is assumed that before long, there will be nationwide protection for the consumer against such goods. Until that time, however, parents should be especially wary.

The cowboy and cowgirl outfits were mentioned because they are often made of napped fabric and finished with highly inflammable fringe. Those Christmas costumes made of thin cambric are not very safe either, unless treated. The best way to hurry the treated kinds of fabrics onto the market is to ask to see a label showing flame-resisting finish.

Just appearing on the market are sheer fabrics with permanent and remaining crisp. Other finishes putting in an appearance are stain resistant, shrink-proof, mildew-proof and moth-proof ones.

Nursery Co-op Has Party For Parents

At the monthly meeting of the Cooperative Nursery School to be held on December 19, to which fathers are invited, business will be minimized and the evening will be given over to Christmas festivities. The program is being planned by Mrs. Eric Braund and Mrs. Thomas Callanan.

Mrs. Samuel Ashelman will read "A Christmas Carol," while the story of "The Festival of Lights," "Chanukah" will be presented by Mrs. David Fisher. "Christmas in Denmark" will be told by Hans Jorgensen. Refreshments and carol singing will round up the program. The group is meeting at the home of Mrs. Jerry Pines, 13-Z-3 Hillside Road. Co-hostesses are Mrs. Lester Roach and Mrs. James Peifer.

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Rabbitt Resigns Moore Succeeds

FPHA fiscal accountant Joseph W. Rabbitt, who has been with Greenbelt since the town's beginning, has left his post here, FPHA manager Charles M. Cormack announced on Monday. Mr. Rabbitt has been promoted to a position in the finance and accounts division of the central office of FPHA. His military service constituted the only interruption to his work in Greenbelt.

Rabbitt's successor, Lloyd L. Moore, assumed his duties here on Monday. Mr. Moore comes from the accounting section of the General Field Office of FPHA.

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